

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

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FEBRUARY 20, 1860.—Ordered to be printed.

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Mr. THOMSON submitted the following

REPORT.

*The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Wilcomb, a soldier of the war of 1812, praying an invalid pension, beg leave to report:*

That it appears from the rolls that he enlisted on the 9th of January, 1813, for one year, and was discharged January 14, 1814; and that on the muster rolls, November 30, 1813, he is reported "at Burlington, sick."

The testimony shows, that during his service the petitioner was ill of the measles, and also, that he had the camp disorder; and that when he entered the service he was of a robust constitution, and that he returned an invalid.

His first application for a pension was made in the year 1858, more than forty-four years after his discharge from the service. He produces no evidence from his superior officers that the disability under which he is now laboring, and to which the physicians certify, was contracted while in the line of his duty in the service of the United States.

The committee, therefore, recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be denied.

